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WASHINGTON, D. C. 20301

POLICY REVIEW

July 10, 1980

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

SUBJECT: Systematic Declassification Review of "Joint Army-Navy Intelligence Studies" (JANIS)

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On 8 July 1980, [_____] of CIA Classification Review [_____] STATINTL telephoned the undersigned concerning the above subject. She advised that the CIA has, in its systematic declassification review program, encountered the JANIS series of documents that were produced under the auspices of the Office of Strategic Services during the World War II time frame and shortly thereafter. The JANIS series is the forerunner of the National Intelligence Surveys and is similar in content. [_____] was seeking DoD agreement to permit declassification of the JANIS series after CIA review without referral of the voluminous documents to the Department of Defense.

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The undersigned contacted LTC. McCaffrey of Army (DAMI-CIS) and Mr. Welch of Navy (OP-009D3) and advised them of the above. LTC. McCaffrey subsequently advised, after appropriate inquiries within Army, that there was no objection to CIA taking the declassification action without referral to this Department provided that CIA reviewed the documents to be certain that they do not contain or reveal still sensitive sources or methods. Mr. Manuel of Navy advised that they had no one familiar with the JANIS series of documents and that Navy would defer to DIA. [_____] of DIA (RSS-3B) was briefed on the above and he stated that DIA, with the same proviso as Army, would interpose no objection to CIA's declassification action.

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[_____] was advised of the above on this date and she requested a copy of this MFR to document CIA records on the subject. She did affirm that they would naturally be alert to the possibility that some of the JANIS documents may contain or reveal sensitive sources or methods and that any such would be carefully considered prior to possible declassification. CIA will provide notice to DIA with respect to JANIS documents that are declassified.

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